Regular Meeting Vernon Township Board April 10, 2023 6801 S. Durand Rd., Durand MI 48429

Present: Supervisor Bert DeClerg, Treasurer Mary Jane Edwards, Clerk Susan Bannister, Trustee Janet Sprague, and Trustee Janeene Temple

The meeting was called to order with the saying of the Pledge at 7:00 pm.

Agenda was approved.

The minutes of the March 13, 2023, board meeting and March 13, 2023, budget hearing were approved with one correction.

Fire Chief Dan Bannister reviewed the fire report. Following his report, the following motions were made and approved.

Motion to approve the creation of a committee of 5 members to begin working on specs for a new pumper tanker.

There was no planning commission or zoning board of appeals meeting for March 2023.

The township board set the following zoning fees.

The land division zoning fee is 300.00 + 75.00 per parcel. The lot line adjustment fee is 250.00.

The building report was reviewed and approved.

Chief Guy Hubbard gave a presentation on the request to increase the per-household assessment from \$65.00 to \$110.00 per household.

The sheriff's report was presented.

The clerk provided a report on the various activities surrounding elections and finances within the township.

Public Comment:

Russ Hilliker gave an overview of activities at Greenwood Cemetery. Paula Brooks shared an article on tax abatements and how it is currently affecting local governments. John Wolfe reported on his first meeting with the Shiawassee River Water Trail Coalition.

There was no update on the "the Land" project.

Road projects for 2024 were approved in the amount of \$285,313.75.

All payroll and bills for the general, fire, and ambulance funds were reviewed and approved.

Susan Bannister Township Clerk